

Novice

A Fencing Novice is defined as someone who:

- Has not won a Novice or Intermediate Fencing Competition;
- Has been fencing for less than 2 years at the start of this season. (The season is defined as starting from 1st September); and
- Is over 13 years of age.

Intermediate

A Fencing Intermediate is defined as someone over 13 years of age who during the past 5 years:

- Has not been in the top 50 Senior Fencing Rankings (Men) or top 25 Senior Fencing Rankings (Women) of any country at the end of the fencing season;
- Has not been in the last 8 at an Open Fencing Competition*;
- Has not been in the last 3 at a Senior County or Regional Fencing Competition#;
- Has not won an Intermediate Fencing Competition

* This criterion will not apply to Open competitions which had fewer than 12 competitors in the relevant weapon category (e.g. Women's Sabre).

This criterion will not apply to competitions which had fewer than 8 competitors in the relevant weapon category (e.g. Men's Foil).